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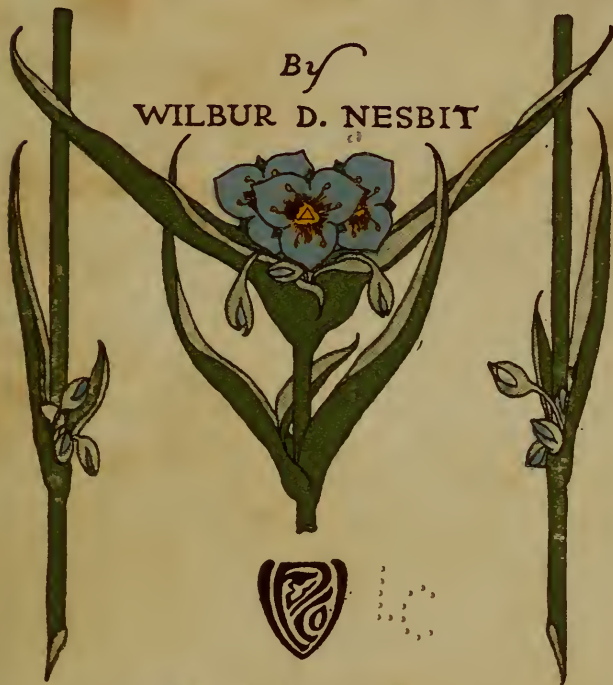
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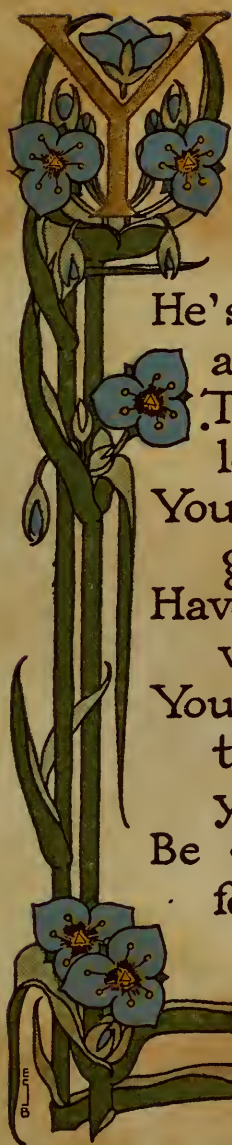
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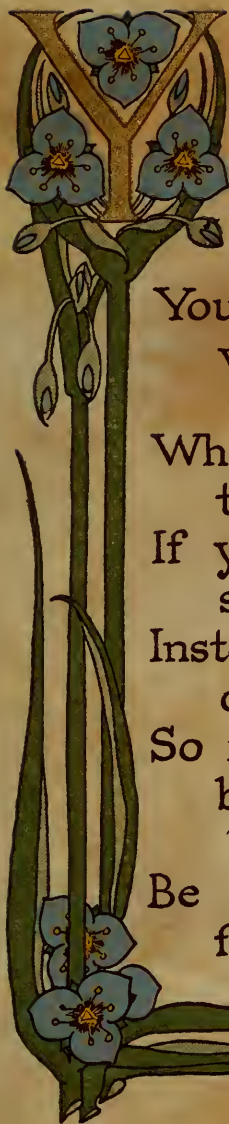
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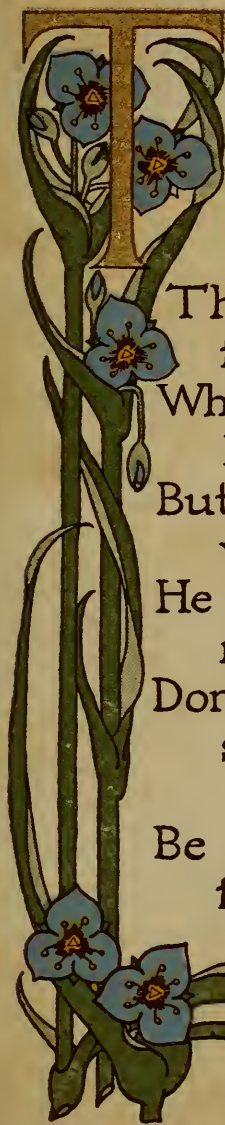
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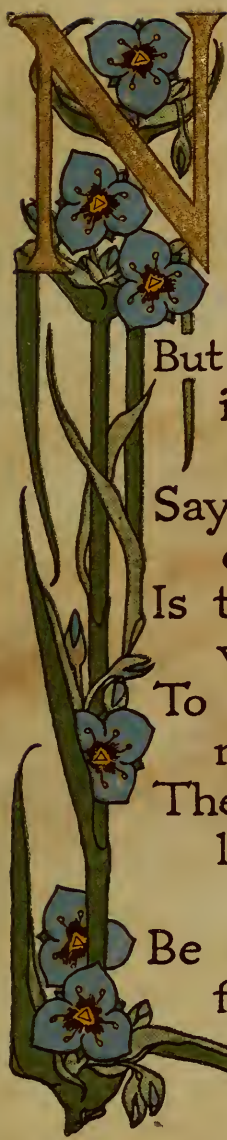
YOU'VE a friend
you have sorely
neglected —
The very best
friend you possess;
He's the one who is
always expected
To shoulder your
load of distress.
You have always been
good to the others,
Have lavished the kind
word and smile;
You have made of
these strangers
your brothers —
Be good to yourself
for awhile.



YOU have sacrific-
ed time, thought
and money
For those who for-
get it too soon;
You have met them
with countenance
sunny
When he would have
thought it a boon
If you'd only let him
share your laughter
Instead of the weight
of your bile —
So remember your
best friend here-
after —
Be good to yourself
for awhile.



HERE are many
who lend or who
borrow,
Who come to
collect or repay;
There are those who
forget you to-morrow
Who greet you with
hand-clasps to-day;
But he knows your
worth, and he only,
He knows all your
merit or guile.
Don't you think that
sometimes he is
lonely? —
Be good to yourself
for awhile.



NOW, you know
all the others
completely,
As though they
were books on
your shelf;

But for long you've
ignored him too
neatly —

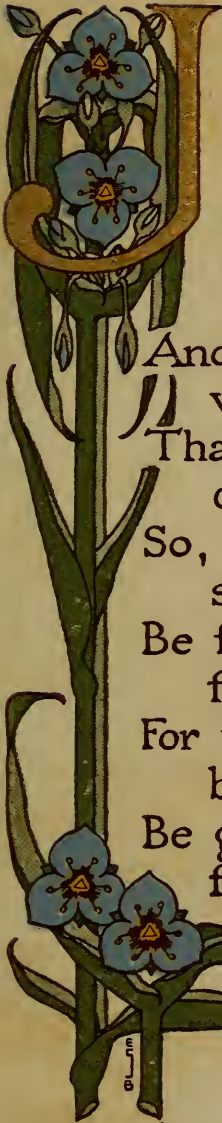
Say, what do you know
of yourself?

Is there anyone else
who will struggle
To help you along,
mile on mile?

Then why is it with
life you would
juggle? —

Be good to yourself
for awhile.





JUST be good to
yourself — it will
pay you.

You'll find when
you're down on
your luck

And when everything
wants to dismay you

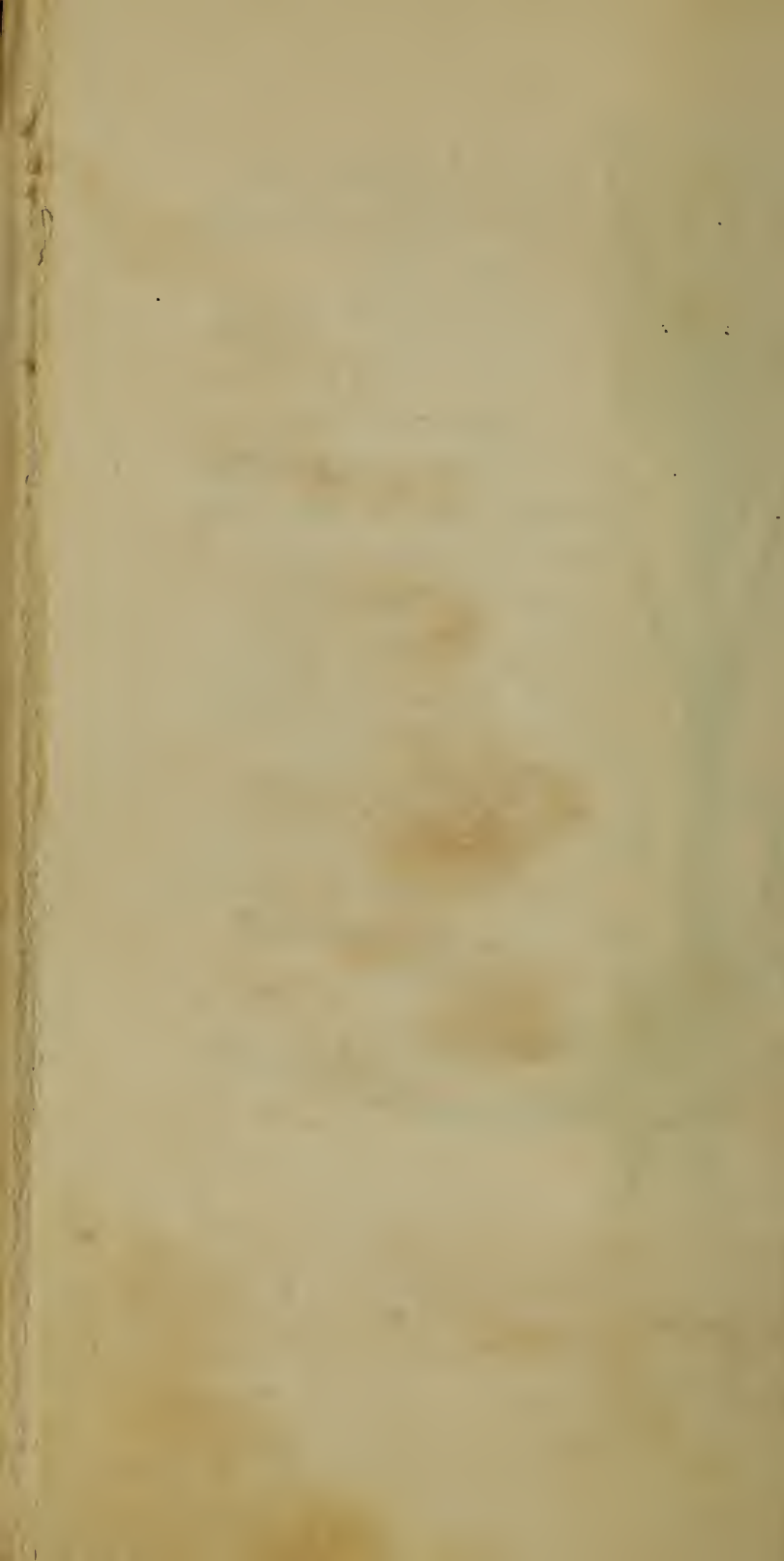
That he helps you
out of the ruck,

So, to-day with your-
self get acquainted,

Be free with your
friendliest smile,

For you're not half as
bad as you're painted—

Be good to yourself
for awhile!

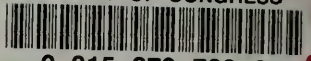


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